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Chapter 17: Christmas
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Hey. Come On
You ready?
Fight!!
17 CHRISTMAS
Fire!!!
Ahhh…!!
player 1
WIN!!!

YOU BECOME STRONG IF YOU FREE YOURSELF FROM OBSTRUCTIVE THOUGHTS...
STOP MAKING THAT FACE!!!
State of Anatman
Perfect!!
HUH, WHAT? YOU'RE REALLY STRONG.
I THOUGHT THIS IS YOUR FIRST TIME PLAYING THIS GAME.
You didn't even need a handicap.

NO-SELF, THE BUDDHIST CONCEPT THAT IN NOTHING DOES THERE EXIST AN INHERENT SELF, SOUL, OR EGO

A FEW DAYS HAS PASSED SINCE THE LAST TIME I SAW FUMI-CHAN.
Damnit
I'M USING THE CHARACTER I OFTEN PICK.
OKAY, SO NO HANDICAPS THIS TIME.

HE SERIOUSLY DOESN'T HAVE AN EYE FOR PEOPLE. HOW STUPID...!!!
SAME GOES FOR NINOMIYA-KUN. THE PERSON HE'S BEEN ONE-SIDEDLY IN LOVE WITH FOR YEARS ONLY THINKS OF HIM LIKE THAT.
WHY WOULD SHE SPEAK ILL OF MAKOTO?!
WHAT THE HECK WAS THAT?!!
WHAT WAS THAT?!!
Ah
Hey
SHE SAID SHE LIKES HIM. THAT'S WHY I HELPED HER
DO PEOPLE START SPEAKING ILL OF SOME-ONE AS SOON AS THEY'RE REJECTED BY THEM?!
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Ultra Uppercut!!!
Noooo...!!!

player 1
WIN!!!

I FEEL GREAT.
HOW CAN YOU BE THAT STRONG?
VS
Irri-tating
I don't get it.
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Phew
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"PHEW" MY FOOT!

AH, GET ME SOMETHING TO DRINK WHILE YOU'RE AT IT.
I'LL GO GET COLA FROM MY HOUSE.
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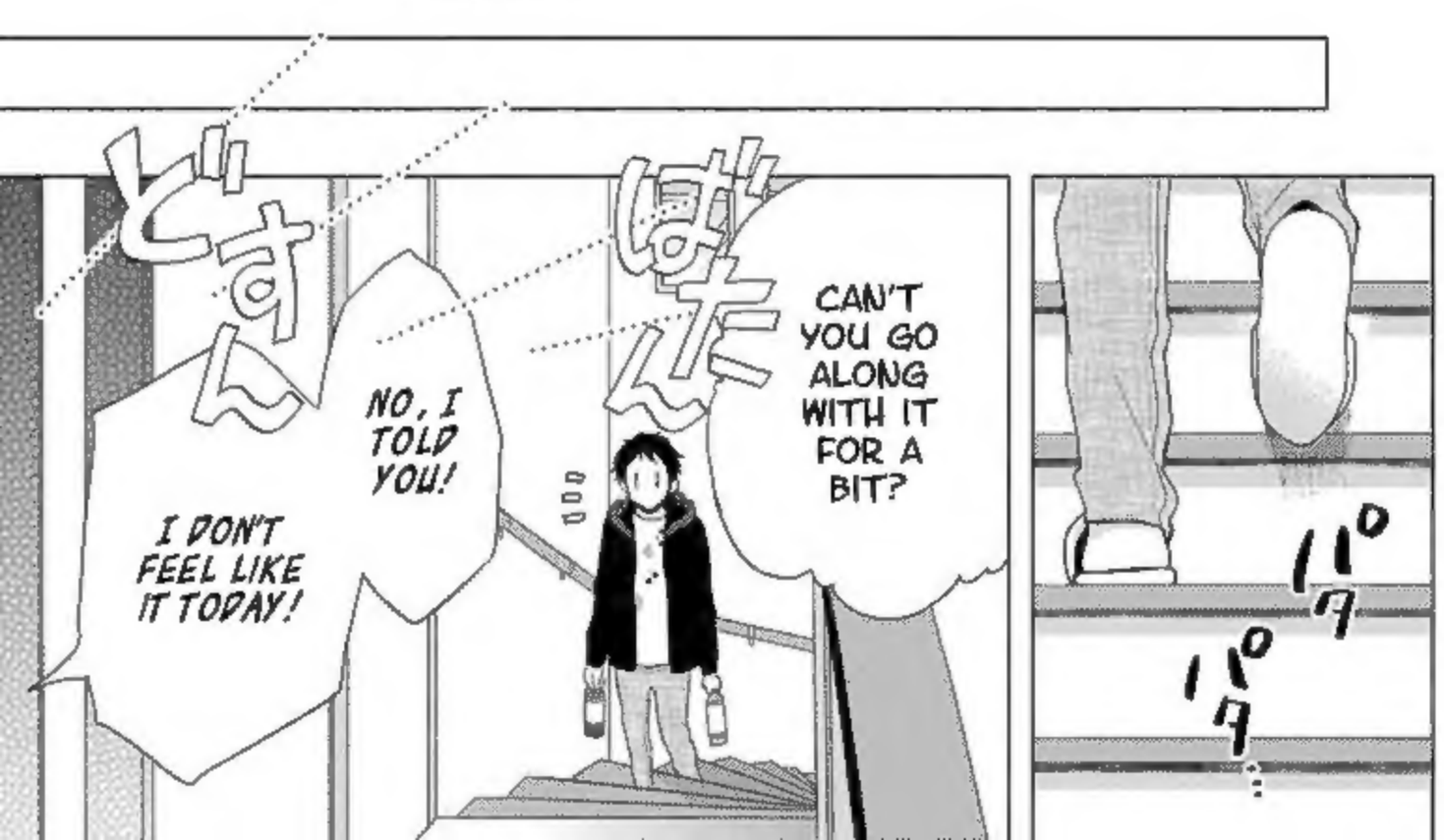
THERE'S A BOTTLE OF TEA IN THE FRIDGE.
ROGER
WHY'S SHE IN A BAD MOOD...


CAN'T YOU GO ALONG WITH IT FOR A BIT?
NO, I TOLD YOU!
I DON'T FEEL LIKE IT TODAY!

SIS?!
OH, AKIRA, YOU WERE HERE? I'M HOME <3
BUT THAT'S ALSO WHAT YOU SAID LAST TIME!
WHEN WILL YOU FEEL LIKE IT THEN?!
Just go along with me!!
HUH?
I WON'T HAVE BREAKS STARTING TOMORROW TIL THE 31ST, SO THEY LET US GO HOME EARLY TODAY.
It's still evening.
HOW COME YOU'RE HOME EARLY?! I THOUGHT YOU'RE BUSY THESE DAYS.
WELCOME BACK.
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING AT YOUR AGE?
Didn't get a boyfriend again this year, huh?
THIS CHRISTMAS!!
I'VE GOT TO EAT CAKE AND CHICKEN AT YOUR HOUSE

I'M IN A RELATION-SHIP WITH MY WORK!!
WELL THEN IT'S STRANGE THAT YOU'RE VENTING YOUR STRESS AT WORK BY PUTTING MAKE UP ON ME.
YOU'RE DOING HIS MAKE UP?
HUH
YUP!!
I BOUGHT A NEW MASCARA SO I WANT TO TEST IT OUT!!
AKIRA?
SO WHAT'S THAT THING YOU'RE USING RIGHT NOW? IS THAT AN EYELINER?
THAT'S RIGHT~ ARE YOU INTERESTED NOW, AKIRA?!
No, nope.

I'VE NEVER ACTUALLY SEEN MAKOTO HAVING HIS MAKE UP DONE UP UNTIL NOW.
WELL, I JUST REALIZED
THEN--
MY, REALLY?
HUH?
WHAT?
YOU SHOULD WATCH
US CAREFULLY FOR FUTURE REFERENCE...
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SERIOUSLY, GIVE ME A BREAK.
NOT TODAY.
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...SORRY, BUT
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WHAAT
WHAT'S UP WITH YOU ALL OF A SUDDEN?

HELLO?
OH!! HAVEN'T HEARD FROM YOU IN A WHILE!!
YOU KNOW, HE'S BEEN UNCOOPERATIVE SINCE THE OTHER DAY.
THAT'S RARE.
HUH, RIGHT NOW?
NO, I'VE GOT PLANS TONIGHT...
Akira, do you wanna try the eyeliner?

ARE YOU GOING OUT?
OKAY, GOT IT. SEE YOU LATER.
WHAT TIME AND WHERE? I'LL HANG OUT FOR A BIT.
..... NOTHING.
The "Still not done yet with that call?" look

SO I'M TAKING THIS MAKE UP OFF.
EHH
MY FRIENDS FROM MIDDLE SCHOOL WANT TO MEET UP TODAY. I'M GONNA HANG OUT WITH THEM FOR A BIT.
THE CALL WAS FROM TOMO.
I'll be back by night

WHAT TIME ARE YOU COMING HOME? I'LL TELL AUNTIE.
OKAY.
I'll call you once I know.
DON'T TAKE TOO LONG OR I'LL EAT YOUR SHARE OF CAKE AND CHICKEN!!
OKAY.
YOU'RE MAKING UP FOR THIS ON NEW YEAR'S!!
Incomplete combustion!!!
...OKAY.
BUT SHE MIGHT COME UP IN THEIR CONVERSATION.
IF SHE DOES, THEN I WONDER WHAT EXPRESSION MAKOTO WILL MAKE...
HE SAID FRIENDS, SO FUMI-CHAN WON'T BE COMING...
MIDDLE SCHOOL CLASSMATES, HUH...

AKIRA
YOU HAVE A WEIRD EXPRESSION AGAIN.
...WHAT?
WOULD YOU RATHER I DON'T GO?
IT'S NOTHING.
What are you guys talking about?
What?

GO HAVE FUN.
SEE YOU LATER.
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OKAY.
BYE.
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DON'T FORGET TO CALL!
WELL THEN,
WHAT SHOULD WE DO?
HEY...
DID SOMETHING HAPPEN?

NOPE.
NOTHING HAPPENED.
MAKOTO!!
WE'RE OVER HERE!

LONG TIME NO SEE!
HEY. HAVEN'T SEEN YOU SINCE SUMMER BREAK.
YOU HAVEN'T CHANGED, TOMO!
DID YOU GROW TALLER AGAIN, OGA?
AND YOU'RE STILL THE SAME, MAKOTO.
SHUT UP.

HEY!! WHAT'S WITH THAT TREATMENT?!
Yeah
WELL, IT'S HASN'T BEEN A LONG TIME SINCE WE LAST SAW EACH OTHER.
CLASS REP AND IMAMURA...
We're from the same uni.
Sup stupid couple

I WOULDN'T HAVE MET UP WITH YOU GUYS TODAY IF I HAD ONE.
HEY, WHAT DO YOU MEAN YOU HAVE PLANS TONIGHT? PLANS WITH YOUR GIRLFRIEND?
Spill it out!
WHAT ABOUT KARAOKE THEN?
Ah
I HAVE PLANS TONIGHT, SO I'LL PASS ON DINNER.
SO WHAT WILL WE DO? IT'S TOO EARLY FOR DINNER.

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IT'S LONELY THAT I'M THE ONLY GIRL HERE. CAN I CALL A FRIEND?
HEY, GENTLE-MEN.

Okay, I'll call her.
OH, DON'T WORRY. SHE WAS OUR CLASS-MATE!!
WE'RE FINE WITH THAT. BUT WOULDN'T IT BE AWKWARD FOR HER TO BE WITH PEOPLE SHE DOESN'T KNOW?
OF COURSE.
HUH?! A GIRL?!
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AH, HELLO?
Ahaha..
YEAH, ABOUT WHAT I MAILED YOU EARLIER.
She still does things at her pace.
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REALLY?
GREAT!!
OKAY, I'LL BE WAITING.
SHE'S NEAR THE AREA. I'LL PICK HER UP.
OKAY, BE CAREFUL ON YOUR WAY.
…?
I WONDER WHO SHE IS.
Hurry
IT'S RARE TO STILL HAVE FRIENDS FROM AND SINCE MIDDLE SCHOOL.
CLASS REP, DO YOU KNOW THE FRIEND SHE'S TALKING ABOUT?
It's your girlfriend's friend after all.
Hmm
EH... I WONDER WHO...

ALL I HEAR ABOUT IS HER FRIEND FROM THE SAME CLUB
AND THIS ONE GIRL WHO WAS ALWAYS A STUDENT LIBRARIAN...
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STUDENT LIBRARIAN ...
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WE'RE BACK~
SORRY FOR THE WAIT~ I BROUGHT HER WITH ME~

SET THE TEMPERATURE
THEN THE TIMER...
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I'M DONE HERE, TOO.
The vegetables are cut
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THE CHICKEN'S SET~
NOW I JUST HAVE TO PICK UP THE CAKE I ORDERED.
Salad ok
Chicken Ok
Cheese fondue ingredients
OK
OK
Stew
CHICKEN, SALAD, CHEESE FONDUE, STEW.
...LET'S MAKE MAKOTO BUY ONE.
...SHE'LL REALIZE SHE FORGOT TO ORDER ONE LATER FOR SURE.
WONDERFUL! EVERYTHING'S PERFECT THIS YEAR~!
I hope Makoto-chan and Dad come home early~!!